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REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING	1/1/2018	AND ENDING	12/31/2018			
	MM/DD/YYYY		MM/DD/YYYY			
A. REG	SISTRANT IDENTIFI	CATION				
NAME OF BROKER-DEALER:						
Fortress Capital Formation LLC			OFFICIAL USE ONLY			
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#### **OATH OR AFFIRMATION**

I,	Todd Ladda	, swear (or affirm) the	at, to th	
best	t of my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial state	** *	_	
Fortress Capital Formation LLC , as o				
		correct. I further swear (or affirm) that neither the company		
	any partner, proprietor, principal officer or director has any pr	roprietary interest in any account classified solely as that of		
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	No Exceptions			
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_	<ul><li>(b) Statement of Financial Condition.</li><li>(c) Statement of Income (Loss).</li></ul>			
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(e) Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity or Partners' or Sole Proprietors' Capital.				
(f) Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of Creditors.				
(g) Computation of Net Capital.				
ַ [	(h) Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements			
2	(i) Information Relating to the Possession or control Requirements Under Rule 15c3-3.			
(j) A Reconciliation, including appropriate explanation, of the Computation of Net Capital Under Rule 15c3-1 and the				
	Computation for Determination of the Reserve Requireme	ents Under Exhibit A of Rule 15c3-3.		
] (	(k) A Reconciliation between the audited and unaudited Statements of Financial Condition with respect to methods of con-			
_	solidation.			
=	(1) An Oath or Affirmation.			
] (	(m) A copy of the SIPC Supplemental Report.			
] (	(n) A report describing any material inadequacies found to ex	xist or found to have existed since the date of the previous audit.		
٦ ،	(a) Exemption report			

<sup>\*\*</sup>For conditions of confidential treatment of certain portions of this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3).



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#### Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Member of Fortress Capital Formation LLC

#### **Opinion on the Financial Statement**

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Fortress Capital Formation LLC (the Company) as of December 31, 2018 and the related notes ("the financial statement"). In our opinion, the financial statement presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company at December 31, 2018 in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

This financial statement is the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's financial statement based on our audit. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB) and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement is free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. Our audit included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statement, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. Our audit also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

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We have served as the Company's auditor since 2011.

February 27, 2019

### Statement of Financial Condition

### December 31, 2018

Assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,276,347
Prepaid expenses	48,035
Deferred tax asset	6,021
Due from affiliate, net	74,302
Total assets	\$ 3,404,705
Liabilities and member's equity	
Liabilities	
Accrued liabilities	\$ 119,683
Income tax payable	3,040
Total liabilities	122,723
Member's equity	
Paid-in capital	2,200,000
Retained earnings	1,081,982
Total member's equity	3,281,982
Total liabilities and member's equity	\$ 3,404,705

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

#### Notes to Financial Statements

December 31, 2018

#### 1. Organization

Fortress Capital Formation LLC (the Company and formerly known as Fortress Securities LLC), a Delaware limited liability company and a wholly owned subsidiary of Fortress Operating Entity I LP (FOE I), was formed on June 6, 2008. FOE I initially funded capital in the amount of \$2.2 million to the Company on June 15, 2010. FOE I is a wholly-owned indirect subsidiary of Fortress Investment Group LLC (Fortress). Fortress raises and manages alternative investment funds.

On December 27, 2017, Fortress completed a merger with a wholly owned subsidiary of SoftBank Group Corp. (SoftBank). As a result of the merger, Foundation Holdco LP, a Cayman Islands exempted limited partnership and a wholly owned subsidiary of SoftBank, became the parent company of Fortress.

The Company is a broker-dealer registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission and is a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA), registered on December 21, 2010. The Company acts as a placement agent in offerings of interests in private investment funds managed by affiliated entities. The Company operates one office, which is an OSJ (Office of Supervisory Jurisdiction) branch office. The Company is a limited liability company whose formation documents allow for an indefinite life.

#### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### **Basis of Accounting**

The accompanying financial statements are prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP).

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Company considers all highly liquid short-term investments with an original maturity of 90 days or less when purchased to be cash equivalents. At December 31, 2018, there were no cash equivalents.

Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

#### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

#### **Revenue Recognition**

Revenue is generated from the rendering of services and is recognized when the services are performed and the earnings process is complete. Revenue is comprised of the reimbursement of expenses from related entities plus a percentage mark-up.

#### **Income Taxes**

The Company's income is allocated directly to its sole member and is not subject to a corporate level of taxation. The Company is subject to the New York City unincorporated business tax (UBT) on its earnings based on a statutory rate of 4%. Interest and penalties, if any, are treated as additional taxes. Income taxes are accounted for under the liability method. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases and operating loss and tax credit carryforwards. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in income in the period that includes the enactment date.

#### **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### 3. Income Taxes

The deferred tax asset of \$6,021 is related to organizational costs that are deductible over 15 years for tax purposes.

#### Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

#### 4. Regulatory Requirements

The Company is a registered broker-dealer under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Act) and, as such, must comply with the rules and regulations thereunder. Pursuant to the net capital provisions of Rule 15c3-1 under the Act, the Company is required to maintain minimum net capital (as defined) equal to the greater of \$5,000 or 6-2/3 percent of aggregate indebtedness (basic method). At December 31, 2018, the Company's net capital and excess net capital amounts were \$3,153,624 and \$3,145,442, respectively. The Company was in compliance with such requirements.

The Company is exempt from the provisions of Rule 15c3-3 of the Act under paragraph (k)(2)(i) of that Rule, as the Company does not hold customer funds or safekeep customer securities.

#### 5. Related Party Transactions

FOE I, the Company's sole member, funded the initial capital requirements of the Company.

#### **Company Allocation**

The Company receives services from FIG LLC, which provides the use of its employees, facilities and other assets. Expenses incurred by FIG LLC that are directly related to the Company's activities are generally allocated to the Company unless specifically assigned. Other shared costs, such as rent and utilities, are allocated to the Company based on headcount.

#### **Service Agreement**

The Company has entered into a service agreement with FIG LLC whereby the Company is reimbursed expenses plus a percentage mark-up.

Due from affiliate, net includes \$74,302 due from FIG LLC.

The Company does not charge or pay interest to affiliates on outstanding receivable and payable balances.

#### 6. Concentration of Credit Risk

The Company maintains its cash and cash equivalents with one financial institution, which at times may exceed federal insured limits.

#### Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

#### 7. Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The Company's financial instruments, primarily cash and due from affiliate, net, are recorded at contractual amounts due or amortized cost. The carrying value of these assets approximates fair value since they are liquid, short-term in nature and contain minimal credit risk. Cash and due from affiliate, net, are classified as Level 1 and Level 2 in the fair value hierarchy, respectively.

#### 8. Subsequent Events

The Company has evaluated subsequent events through February 27, 2019, the date as of which these financial statements are available to be issued.



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#### Washington DC Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Member of Fortress Capital Formation LLC

We have reviewed management's statements, included in the accompanying Fortress Capital Formation LLC Exemption Report, in which (1) Fortress Capital Formation LLC (the Company) identified the following provisions of 17 C.F.R. § 15c3-3(k) under which the Company claimed an exemption from 17 C.F.R. § 240.15c3-3 (k): (2)(i) (the "exemption provisions") and (2) the Company stated that it met the identified exemption provisions in 17 C.F.R. § 240.15c3-3 (k) throughout the most recent fiscal year ended December 31, 2018 without exception. Management is responsible for compliance with the exemption provisions and its statements.

Our review was conducted in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) and, accordingly, included inquiries and other required procedures to obtain evidence about the Company's compliance with the exemption provisions. A review is substantially less in scope than an examination, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion on management's statements. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to management's statements referred to above for them to be fairly stated, in all material respects, based on the provisions set forth in paragraph (k)(2)(i) of Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Member, management, the SEC, the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, other regulatory agencies that rely on Rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 in their regulation of registered brokers and dealers, and other recipients specified by Rule 17a-5(d)(6) and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

February 27, 2019

Ernst & Young LLP



## FORTRESS CAPITAL FORMATION LLC EXEMPTION REPORT

Fortress Capital Formation LLC (the Company) is a registered broker dealer subject to Rule 17a-5 promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission (17 C.F.R. §240.17a-5, "Reports to be made by certain brokers and dealers"). This Exemption Report was prepared as required by 17 C.F.R. §240.17a-5(d)(1) and (4). To the best of its knowledge the Company states the following:

- (1) The Company claimed an exemption from 17 C.F.R. §240.15c3-3 under the provisions of 17 C.F.R. §240. 15c3-3(k)(2)(i).
- (2) The Company met the identified exemption provisions in 17 C.F.R §240.15c3-3(k) throughout the most recent fiscal year ended December 31, 2018 without exception.

#### FORTRESS CAPITAL FORMATION LLC

I, Todd Ladda, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, this Exemption Report is true and correct.

Todd Ladda

Chief Executive Officer of

Fortress Capital Formation LLC

February 27, 2019